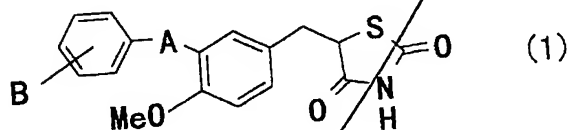


SCOPE OF THE CLAIM

1. Substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives represented by a general formula (1)



[wherein the bond mode of A denotes $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONH}-$, $-\text{NHCONH}-$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}-$ or $-\text{NHCOCH}_2-$, and B denotes a lower alkyl group with carbon atoms of 1 to 4, lower alkoxy group with carbon atoms of 1 to 3, halogen atom, trifluoromethyl group, trifluoromethoxy group, phenyl group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents, phenoxy group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents or benzyloxy group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents], their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates.

2. Substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein the bond mode of A is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONH}-$.

3. Substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein the bond mode of A is $-\text{NHCONH}-$.

4. Substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein the bond mode of A is $-\text{NHCOCH}_2-$.

5. Substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein the bond mode of A is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}-$.

6. Compounds, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein one of the compounds is N-[2-

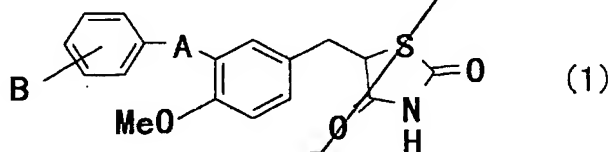
methoxy-5-[(2,4-dioxothiazolidin-5-yl)methyl]phenyl]-2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]acetamide.

7. Compounds, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein one of the compounds is 5-[[4-methoxy-3-[3-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ureido]phenyl]-methyl]thiazolidine-2,4-dione.

8. Compounds, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein one of the compounds is N-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2-[5-[(2,4-dioxothiazolidin-5-yl)methyl]-2-methoxyphenyl]acetamide.

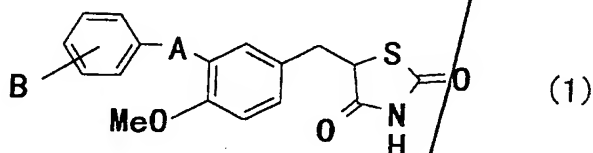
9. Compounds, their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates of Claim 1, wherein one of the compounds is 5-[[3-[3-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]propanoyl]-4-methoxyphenyl]methyl]-thiazolidine-2,4-dione.

10. A blood glucose-decreasing drug having at least one or more kinds of substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives represented by the general formula (1)



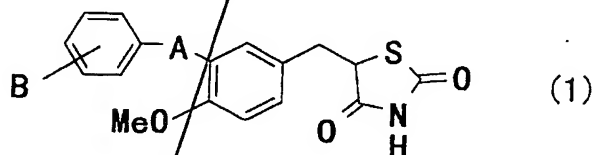
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11. A lipid-decreasing drug having at least one or more kinds of substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives represented by the general formula (1)



[wherein the bond mode of A denotes $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONH}-$, $-\text{NHCONH}-$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}-$ or $-\text{NHCOCH}_2-$, and B denotes a lower alkyl group with carbon atoms of 1 to 4, lower alkoxy group with carbon atoms of 1 to 3, halogen atom, trifluoromethyl group, trifluoromethoxy group, phenyl group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents, phenoxy group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents or benzyloxy group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents], their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates as effective ingredients.

12. An agonist of human peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR) having at least one or more kinds of substituted benzylthiazolidine-2,4-dione derivatives represented by the general formula (1)



[wherein the bond mode of A denotes $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONH}-$, $-\text{NHCONH}-$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}-$ or $-\text{NHCOCH}_2-$, and B denotes a lower alkyl group with carbon atoms of 1 to 4, lower alkoxy group with carbon atoms of 1 to 3, halogen atom, trifluoromethyl group, trifluoromethoxy group, phenyl group which is unsubstituted or may have

substituents, phenoxy group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents or benzyloxy group which is unsubstituted or may have substituents], their medicinally acceptable salts and their hydrates as effective ingredients.

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